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Deberey A. Hinchey

April 15, 2015

Elisabeth S. Shellan  
Officer of the Commission (Public Representative)  
Postal Regulatory Commission  
901 New York Avenue, NW, Suite 200  
Washington, DC 20268

**RE: APPEAL DOCKET NUMBER: A2015-1**

Dear Ms. Shellan,

Below, please find the two compelling reasons that I believe the Postal Service should reconsider the closing of the Yantic Post Office.

It is my assessment that your findings did not adequately answer as stated in #2 of reasons for remanding a final determination, "The Postal Service did not adequately consider certain issues it is required to consider." Congress has determined that the Postal Service has a fiduciary responsibility to be self-supporting. From the information you have identified in Final Determination to Close the Suspended Yantic, CT Post Office dated 1.26.15 the financial reviews from the last 2.5 years of operation shows revenues to be \$771,400 and for the FYs of 2007,08,09 revenues reached \$1,418,793. That brings total revenues for the 10 year period to \$2,190,193. Your report indicates that the economic savings for a projected 10 years is \$757,855. The revenues that should be realized for the Postal Service is \$1,432,338, if your cost analysis is accurate. It was indeed self-supporting and in fact creating a profit.

I also want to bring to your attention "Factors to be Considered". (A) the effect of the closing or consolidation on the community served by that post office. The Yantic Post office is positioned close to our Business Park. We have worked diligently to bring or expand businesses in the Park and have been successful. Having a working Post Office in that local was an added benefit for any business thinking about relocating there. Further, it was a convenience for existing businesses that many Business Parks are not able to offer.

We have not been able to review the Administrative Record as of this writing. It is not available at the Norwich Post Office. The date of the Final Determination to close was posted 1.26.15. Your regulation states that the "Postal Service regulations require that a copy of the Administrative Record be available at affected post offices for 30 days after the Final Determination is first posted". As I indicated, it was not at the Norwich Post Office.

I have included a building that is in close proximity to the Post Office building that is closed. There is actually a drive up window which could perform an innovative delivery system for postal service. This building could be an alternative to the existing one as I am aware of the structural and ownership problems of the old building. There are alternatives in the area that would have the potential to serve the postal needs of this area.

Thank you for your consideration

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Deberey Hinchey".

Mayor Deberey Hinchey  
City of Norwich

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Enclosures

cc: State Representative Kevin Ryan  
Congressman Joe Courtney's Office

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